



Housing & Health and Human Development Committees
Wednesday March 24, 2010
5:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers
Chair: Charleta B. Tavares

AGENDA

Housing Committee

- Legislative Review

Health and Human Development Committee

- Legislative Review

Future Dates for the Housing & Health and Human Development Committee meetings

4/07/10	Ryan Johnson (April is Minority Health Month)
4/21/10	
5/05/10	
5/19/10	
6/02/10	
6/16/10	
7/07/10	
7/21/10	
8/17/10	HHH Briefing
8/18/10	HHH Briefing
9/08/10	
9/22/10	
10/06/10	
10/20/10	
11/03/10	
11/17/10	
12/01/10	
12/14/10	Budget Briefing Hearing
12/15/10	Budget Briefing Hearing

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Legislation Pending March/April 2010

HOUSING

0457-2010 COMMUNITY SHELTER BOARD: SAFETY NET PROGRAM (\$2,482,791)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) for the Safety Net Program. The contract will provide \$2,482,791 from the General Fund for the purpose of continuing the city's support for homeless emergency shelters, Maryhaven Engagement Center, related homeless shelter services, and homelessness prevention and transition services. These programs have effectively and efficiently enabled our community to help individuals and families who are homeless or near homelessness to resolve their housing crisis.

0480-2010 AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITY FUND-CDBG (\$575,412) (first reading)

This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$575,412 for the provision of loans and grants for projects that preserve and increase the local supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low-income families. The Affordable Housing Opportunity Fund represents the City's commitment to the preservation and production of housing units affordable to very-low, low and moderate-income individuals. Funds will be used to meet the housing needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. Programs will provide housing rehabilitation assistance, lead paint hazard control, home maintenance repairs for elderly and disabled households, and accessibility modifications. Funding is from the 2010 Community Development Block Grant Fund.

0488-2010 HOUSING TRUST: HOTEL/MOTEL EXCISE TAX FUNDS (\$1,067,000)

The Affordable Housing Trust for Columbus and Franklin County (Housing Trust) combines public and private funding through a variety of sources to support the development of housing within the City. Both rental units and homeownership projects are developed. In 2010 the City will commit its annual contribution of the hotel/motel tax receipts to the Housing Trust at an estimated \$1,067,000 or whatever greater or lesser sum of money may be received through the portion of the Hotel/Motel Excise Tax fund allocated to the Housing Trust. The amount is based on 0.43% in relation to the 5.1 % total city rate as specified in Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Code. This legislation authorizes a contract with the Housing Trust and directs the appropriation and expenditure of funds.

0494-2010 COMMUNITY SHELTER BOARD: REBUILDING LIVES (\$902,734)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board. The contract will provide a total of \$902,734.00 to support the Rebuilding Lives program. The Rebuilding Lives Plan is a two-pronged approach to ending homelessness and literally "rebuilding lives." The first prong is meeting the short-term needs of homeless men and women through an improved safety net of emergency shelter. The second prong is the meeting of long-term needs through the development and operation of permanent supportive housing. Funds are used to meet the housing and homelessness needs identified in the 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan. Supportive services will consist of coordination of necessary social services for homeless men and referrals for homeless men and women to

physical and mental health agencies. This funding assures operations and services for 404 units. Funding for this contract consists of \$831,705.00 from the 2010 General Fund and \$71,029.00 from the 2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund for a total of \$902,734.

HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

HEALTH

0385-2010 CHLAMYDIA & GONORRHEA TEST KITS

The Board of Health provides Chlamydia and gonorrhea testing for patients of the STD Clinic and various other clinics in the City of Columbus. The laboratory of the Board of Health uses a highly effective DNA probe test kit for Chlamydia and gonorrhea testing. The DNA probe test kit has higher sensitivity, specificity, and transportability characteristics than other types of testing methods. Gen-Probe is the sole provider of the DNA probe test kit, which is the only FDA approved test kit available in the United States. This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to establish a purchase order with Gen-Probe for the purchase of Chlamydia and gonorrhea test kits for the Health Department in accordance with sole source provisions, and authorizes the expenditure of \$100,000 from the Health Special Revenue Fund and the Health Department Grants Fund to pay the cost thereof.

0391-2010 PURCHASE ORDER FOR TB TEST KITS

The Board of Health provides tuberculosis testing for patients of its TB Clinic. The laboratory of the Board of Health uses QuantiFERON – TB GOLD test kits. It is the only in vitro test for mycobacterium tuberculosis (TB) infection approved for use by the US FDA. Its use is recommended by the CDC. Cellestis, Inc. is the sole manufacturer/distributor of these test kits. This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to establish a purchase order in the amount of \$60,000 with Cellestis, Inc. for the purchase of QuantiFERON – TB GOLD test kits for the Health Department in accordance with sole source provisions.

0386-2010 RAPID HIV TEST KITS

The Board of Health provides HIV/AIDS testing for patients of the STD Clinic and HIV Counseling and Testing Site. The laboratory of the Board of Health uses Uni-Gold HIV test kits, a rapid HIV test. It is highly accurate and provides results in 10 minutes. It is the only FDA approved, CLIA waived, rapid HIV test with a 10 minute turn-around time. The CDC recommends that the rapid HIV test be used to better ensure that all patients receive their results. Trinity Biotech is the sole manufacturer/distributor of these rapid HIV tests in the U.S.A. This ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to establish a purchase order with Trinity Biotech for the purchase of Unigold rapid HIV test kits for the Health Department in accordance with sole source provisions, and authorizes the expenditure of \$10,000 from the Health Department Grants Fund to pay the cost thereof.

0415-2010 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT APPROPRIATION REALIGNMENT

The Columbus Health Department was awarded the Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant from the Ohio Department of Health through the Centers for Disease Control in the amount of \$4,106,877 in August 2009. The Ohio Department of Health has recently approved a budget revision for this program resulting in

appropriation realignment to fund approved activities. This ordinance is needed to realign appropriation in the amount of \$88,193 for the time period ending August 9, 2010.

The Public Health Emergency Preparedness program establishes the Franklin County/City of Columbus support network that would be required in the event of bioterrorism activity in the central region of the state of Ohio. It also allocates funding for the Cities Readiness Initiative, pandemic flu planning, and H1N1 related planning and activities.

0449-2010 ALCOHOL AND DRUG GRANT CLOSE-OUTS

This ordinance authorizes a supplemental appropriation of \$269,730 in the Health Department Grants Fund for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2010. The ordinance is necessary to properly align appropriation within Alcohol and Drug program grant projects to allow for the transfer of service revenue balances which will facilitate the grant close-out process.

0490-2010 INTERPRETATION SERVICES

The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract for the interpretation and translation services at the Health Department's facility located at 240 Parsons Ave as well as nearby health clinics. The Columbus Health Department has a need to provide language interpretation services for persons with limited English proficiency who receive services at the Health Department clinics. The Health Department has a need to make funds available to contract with Access 2 Interpreters, LLC. Access 2 Interpreters, LLC will provide live interpretation and translation services. The contract period is April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011, for a contract amount not to exceed \$158,000.

0493-2010 PROMOTORAS SERVICES

The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract for promotoras services at the Health Department's facility located at 240 Parsons Ave as well as nearby health clinics. Promotoras service is a specialized service which entails a variety of responsibilities including distributing health education and information, making client referrals for health services, facilitating the transportation needs of the clients, answering and responding to phone calls, and assisting the clinic director/staff in meeting the communication needs of Spanish-speaking clients. The Columbus Health Department has a need to provide promotoras interpretation services for persons with limited English proficiency who receive services at the Health Department clinics. The Health Department has a need to make funds available to contract with the Ohio Hispanic Coalition in an amount not to exceed \$32,000. The contract period is April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011.

0496-2010 ADDITIONAL WIC GRANT AWARD

The Columbus Health Department has been awarded additional grant funds from the Ohio Department of Health to fund the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) grant program, in an amount not to exceed \$210,144.00, for a total grant award not to exceed \$5,639,335.00. The additional funding will allow the program to increase the budget for personnel, interpretation, and contracts in order to continue to meet the increased demand for services. The purpose of this Ordinance is to accept and appropriate these funds to conduct the WIC Program for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

The primary objective of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program is to provide nutritionally desirable

food and nutrition education to pregnant and lactating women, infants, and children at nutritional risk in Franklin County who meet categorical, income and nutritional risk requirements for eligibility.

0497-2010 MODIFIED WIC CONTRACT WITH NATIONWIDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

The Board of Health has been awarded additional grant funding from the Ohio Department of Health to fund the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. The Columbus Health Department has been designated as the primary grantee agency and administrator for all WIC programs in Franklin County. The additional grant funds will provide for an increased contract with Nationwide Children's Hospital for an additional amount not to exceed \$9,314.00, and for a total contract not to exceed \$487,774.00, for the operation of WIC clinics at their facilities. The contract period is October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

0517-2010 BATH & BODY WORKS STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP EDUCATION GRANT Columbus Public Health has received an unrestricted donation of \$5,000 from Bath & Body Works, Inc. (BBW), the personal care products division of Columbus-based Limited Brands. BBW's intention for this award is to assist CPH to advance its objectives of keeping Columbus residents healthy and reducing the spread of illnesses. BBW has also agreed to a "BAC2SCHOOL" marketing campaign for its antibacterial products that will include promotional materials to foster good hygiene among students. The purpose of this legislation is to accept and appropriate these funds for the period March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011.